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SUBJ: KOREAN DEVELOPMENTS

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1. AN EMBASSY OFFICER RAISED THE SECRETARY'S JULY 22 SPEECH AND THE NORTH KOREAN AUGUST 5 STATEMENT WITH POLISH FOREIGN MINISTRY AMERICAN DESK OFFICER RYSZARD KRYSTOSIK DURING AN AUGUST 18 LUNCHEON.

2. KRYSTOSIK DISPLAYED DETAILED KNOWLEDGE OF THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH AND LISTENED WITHOUT COMMENT TO POINTS DRAWN FROM REFTELS. HE MADE NO ATTEMPT TO EXPLAIN OR DEFEND THE NORTH KOREAN POSITION BUT RATHER INDICATED THAT HE WOULD DISCUSS OUR POSITION WITH MFA FAR EASTERN DEPARTMENT EXPERTS IN NEAR FUTURE. HE SUGGESTED THAT FURTHER KOREAN DEVELOPMENTS MIGHT PROFITABLY BE DISCUSSED WITH THESE EXPERTS.

3. THE POLISH PRESS REPORTED THE SAME DAY THAT THE FRONT OF NATIONAL UNITY (PZPR PLUS CLIENT POLITICAL PARTIES) HAD SENT A TELEGRAM TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE DEMOCRATIC FRONT OF NORTH VIETNAM "IN CONNECTION WITH THE SITUATION ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA WHICH HINDERS THE PEACEFUL EFFORTS OF THE KOREAN

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PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC FROM UNITING KOREA." THE TELEGRAM REPORTEDLY

CRITICIZED THE ACTIONS OF THE "SOUTH KOREAN REGIME" AND EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR NORTH KOREA, SPECIFICALLY CITING "UNDERSTANDING" FOR THE DEMOCRATIC FRONT'S AUGUST 5 ANNOUNCEMENT CONDEMNING "TERRORIST ACTS" DIRECTED TOWARDS THOSE "PROGRESSIVE ACTIVISTS" WHO HAD SIGNED THE "DECLARATION TO SAVE THE DEMOCRACY OF THE COUNTRY."

4. COMMENT: THE USE OF THE FRONT FOR NATIONAL UNITY MECHANISM TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR THE NORTH KOREAN AUGUST 5 STATEMENT UNDERLINES THE STRICTLY PRO FORMA NATURE OF POLISH SUPPORT FOR THE NORTH KOREAN POSITION.

5. THIS CONVERSATION TOOK PLACE BEFORE DETAILS OF LATEST US-NORTH KOREAN INCIDENT ALONG DMZ REACHED US. THIS INCIDENT HAS NOT BEEN REPORTED BY POLISH MEDIA.

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